

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-14 (Previously Cancelled).

Claim 15 (Amended): A syringeable and injectable composition which consists of somatotropin, a lipid-soluble vitamin, and a pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant, and wherein the somatotropin is present in an amount of from 10 to 50 % by weight, based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 16 (Previously Presented): The composition according to claim 15, wherein the somatotropin is produced by recombinant DNA technology.

Claim 17 (Amended): The composition according to claim 15 in suspension form.

Claim 18 (Previously Presented): The composition according to claim 15, wherein the lipid-soluble vitamin is vitamin A, a vitamin A derivative, vitamin E or a vitamin E derivative.

Claim 19 (Previously Presented): The composition according to claim 18, wherein the vitamin A or its derivative is present in an amount of from 100,000 to 5,000,000 vitamin A units per 1 g of somatotropin.

Claim 20 (Amended): The composition according to claim 18, wherein the vitamin E or its derivative is present in an amount of from 500 to 12,000 vitamin E units per 1 g of somatotropin.

Claim 21 (Amended) The composition according to claim 15, in fluid form and wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is one which can be mixed with the lipid-soluble vitamin.

Claim 22 (Amended) The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is an alcohol or an alcohol derivative; an ester of fatty acid and an alcohol; an unsaturated fatty acid; an ester of an acid and an aromatic alcohol; or another material selected from the group consisting of polyoxyethylene alkyl ether[[,]] and tetrahydrofurfuryl alcohol polyethylene glycol ether, ~~a derivative of polyethylene glycol and glycerin~~, which can be mixed with the lipid-soluble vitamin.

Claim 23 (Amended) The composition according to claim 22, wherein the alcohol is a liquid selected from the group consisting of benzyl alcohol, ethyl alcohol, isopropyl alcohol ~~or~~ and butyl alcohol.

Claim 24 (Amended): The composition according to claim 22, wherein the ester of a fatty acid and an alcohol is a liquid selected from the group consisting of ethyl oleate, isopropyl myristate, isopropyl laurate, isopropyl lanolate, ~~or~~ and isopropyl palmitate.

Claim 25 (Amended): The composition according to claim 22, wherein the unsaturated fatty acid is a liquid selected from the group consisting of oleic acid, linoleic acid, ~~or~~ and linolenic acid.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): The composition according to claim 22, wherein the ester of an acid and an aromatic alcohol is benzyl benzoate.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the lubricant is present in an amount of from 0.5 to 25% by weight based on the total weight of the composition.

Claim 28 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is an alcohol or an alcohol derivative.

Claim 29 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is an ester of a fatty acid and an alcohol.

Claim 30 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is an unsaturated fatty acid.

Claim 31 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is an ester of an acid and an aromatic alcohol.

Claim 32 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is a polyoxyethylene alkyl ether which can be mixed with the lipid-soluble vitamin.

Claim 33 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is a tetrahydrofurfuryl alcohol polyethylene glycol ether which can be mixed with the lipid-soluble vitamin.

Claim 34 (New): The composition according to claim 21, wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable lubricant is a derivative of polyethylene glycol and glycerin, which can be mixed with the lipid-soluble vitamin.